

General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by: (HS)

AN ACT CONCERNING A HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED WAIVER FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH AUTISM OR OTHER DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2006) The Commissioner of Social
- 2 Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Mental
- 3 Retardation, shall apply for a Medicaid waiver pursuant to Section
- 4 1915(c) of the Social Security Act, for purposes of securing increased
- 5 funds for home and community-based individualized support services
- 6 and self-directed services for children and adults who have autism or
- 7 other developmental disabilities, including children and adults who do
- 8 not have mental retardation, but who require specialized services in
- 9 their home and community.

This act shall sections:	ll take effect as fo	lows and shall amend the following
Section 1	July 1, 2006	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To obtain a waiver from federal law that will permit children and adults who have developmental disabilities, but do not qualify for specialized services because they do not have mental retardation, increased access to individualized supports and self-directed services in their homes and community.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]